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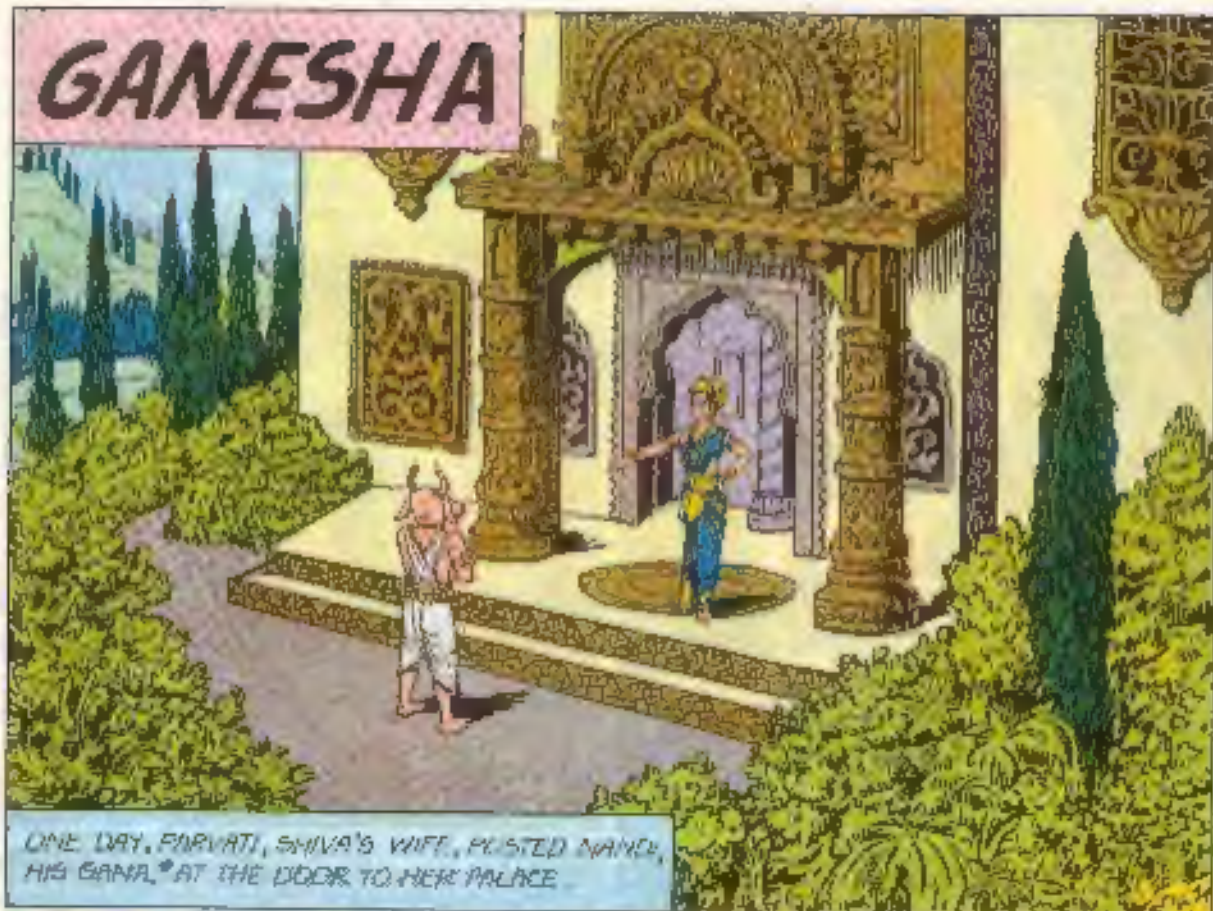
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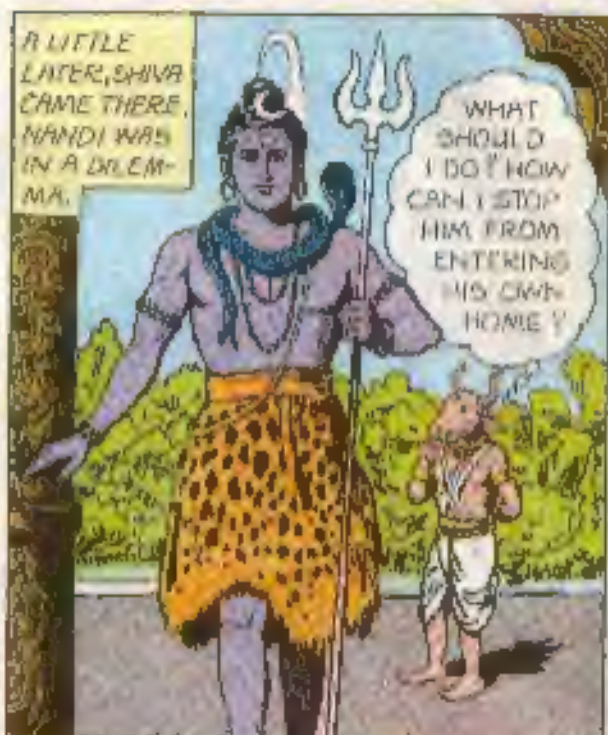
# GANESHA



ONE DAY, PARVATI, SHIVA'S WIFE, POSTED NANDI, HIS GANA,\* AT THE DOOR TO HER PALACE.



I AM GOING TO HAVE MY BATH. DO NOT LET ANYONE ENTER AND DISTURB ME.



A LITTLE LATER, SHIVA CAME THERE. NANDI WAS IN A DILEMMA.

WHAT SHOULD I DO? HOW CAN I STOP HIM FROM ENTERING HIS OWN HOME?



SHIVA ENTERED THE PALACE AND STRODE INTO THE INNER ROOMS.



MY LORD, HERE I BUT NANDI WAS TOLD...

NANDI HAS DISOBEYED ME. YOU MAY BE MY HUSBAND BUT HE HAD NO RIGHT TO LET YOU ENTER!

HA!  
HA!



SHIVA WAS AMUSED BUT PARVATI WAS ANNOYED.

I MUST HAVE A GANA OF MY OWN WHO WILL OBEY ME ALONE.



SHE SPOKE TO HER FRIENDS ABOUT IT.

YOU ARE RIGHT. NONE OF THE GANAS CAN REALLY BE CALLED YOUR OWN.





ONE OF THEM HAD AN IDEA

WHY DON'T YOU CREATE  
A SANA WHO WILL OWE  
FIRST ALLEGIANCE  
TO YOU?

A GOOD  
SUGGESTION,  
I SHALL



SHE GATHERED THE SAFFRON PASTE  
FROM HER OWN BODY AND CREATED A BOY.



WHEN SHE FINISHED, SHE GAZED IN ADMIRATION AT HER OWN CREATION.

HOW HANDSOME  
HE IS! HOW  
STRONG HE  
LOOKS!





SHE DECKED HIM WITH ORNAMENTS  
AND BLESSED HIM, THEN -

YOU ARE MY  
SON - MY  
VERY OWN  
SON. I HAVE  
NONE ELSE  
TO CALL MY  
OWN.

COMMAND  
ME, MOTHER.  
WHAT  
SHOULD I DO?

TAKE THIS  
STAFF AND  
FOLLOW ME.

SHE LED HIM TO THE DOOR.

STAND HERE AND LET NO  
ONE ENTER WITHOUT  
MY PERMISSION.

A LITTLE LATER -

WHO COULD THAT  
BOY BE? I HAVE  
NEVER SEEN  
HIM BEFORE.









BUT THE YOUTH ONLY RAISED HIS STAFF AND HIT SHIVA ONCE AGAIN.



SHIVA TURNED TO HIS GANAS.

WHO IS THAT FOOL? WHAT IS HE DOING THERE? THROW HIM OUT AND REPORT TO ME.



SHIVA LEFT AND THE GANAS TURNED UPON THE YOUTH.

GET AWAY WITH YOU OR YOU WILL RECEIVE A TASTE OF MY VALOUR.

YOU GET AWAY FROM HERE, IF YOU VALUE YOUR LIFE.

YOU SEEM TO FORGET THAT WE ARE SHIVA'S GANAS.





THE YOUTH STOOD STILL FOR A WHILE. HE WAS PUZZLED.



MEANWHILE, INDOORS PARVATI HAD HEARD THE COMMOTION. SHE SENT HER FRIEND OUT.



THE FRIEND SOON RETURNED.



PARVATI HESITATED FOR A MOMENT.









REPA SHIVA SHALL  
NOT ENTER WITHOUT  
MY MOTHER'S  
PERMISSION



NOW THE GANDAS WERE JEALOUS

IF IS PARVAT'S SON  
WE AT S ILLUD WE DO  
WOULD S A ST  
WAN S TO THRU  
HIM OUT?



THEY'RE THE GANDAS

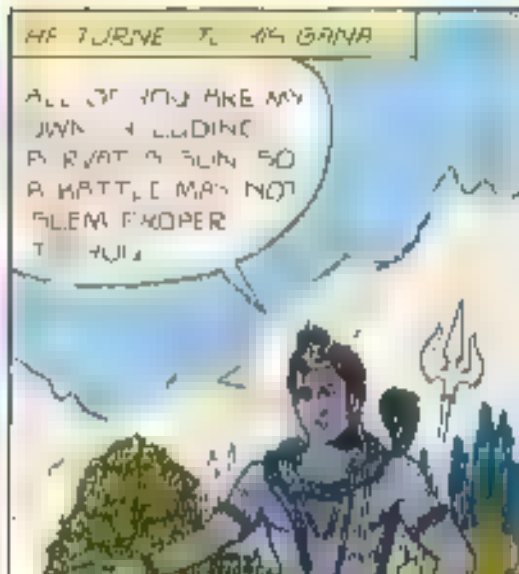
WORD IT IS PARVAT'S OWN  
SON WHO REFUSES TO  
ENTER YOU IN



ALAS, PARVAT YOU HAVE  
GONE TOO FAR YOU  
HAVE LEFT ME WITH  
NO ALTERNATIVE









THE GANG, FULLY ARMED FOR WAR, WENT BACK  
TO THE BOY HE WAS AMUSED WHEN HE SAW THEM

A MERE BOY CARRYING ON  
MY MOTHER'S ORDERS, WELL,  
I AM THE LEADER  
OF SHIVA'S HORSES



THE KANDAS WERE A HIM



NANDI, GRABBE HIS PIG



BUT

HA THAT'S  
MATTER



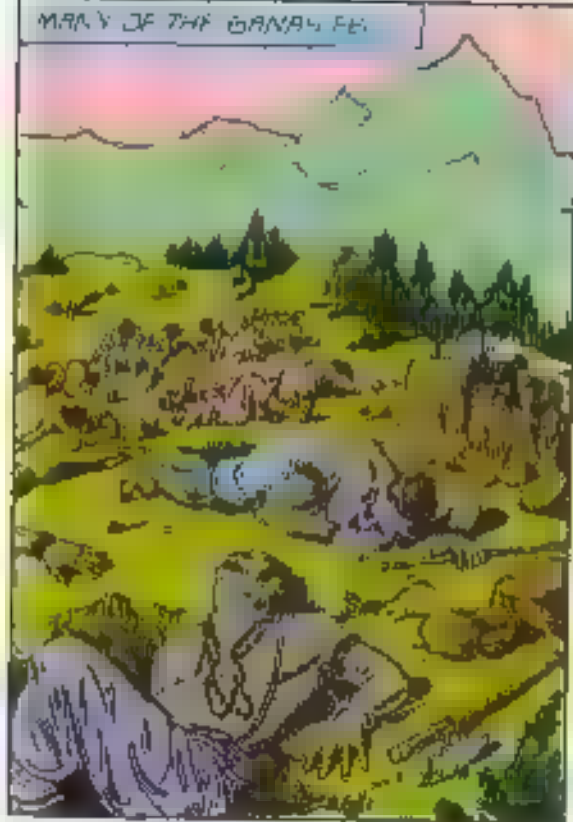


IF, THE  $P_2$  &  $P_1$  IN IRON IS AND WHICH ABOUT?





MANY OF THE GANAPATHI



THE RENT ALSO AS HARD AS THEY COULD



THE 2, & ONCE AGAIN FOR  
HIS PART AT HE DOUR



MEANWHILE WHEN BRAHMA, VIJAYA AND INDRA  
HEARD HE INQUIRY, THEY TALKED THE MATTER  
OVER WITH SAGE NIRADA

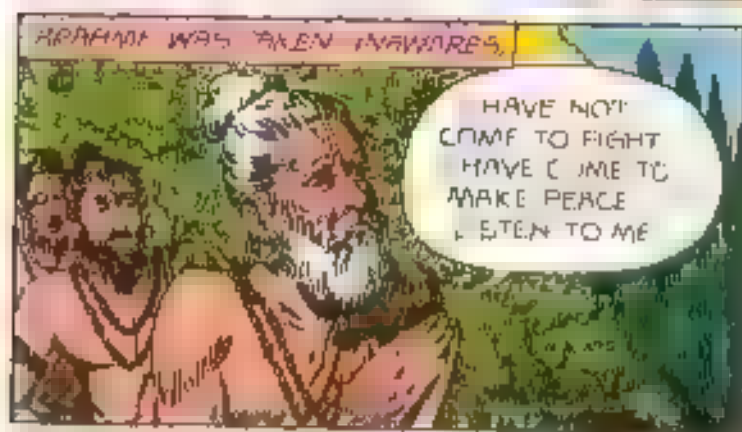


AT LORD SHIVA HE MAY  
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BE  
IF



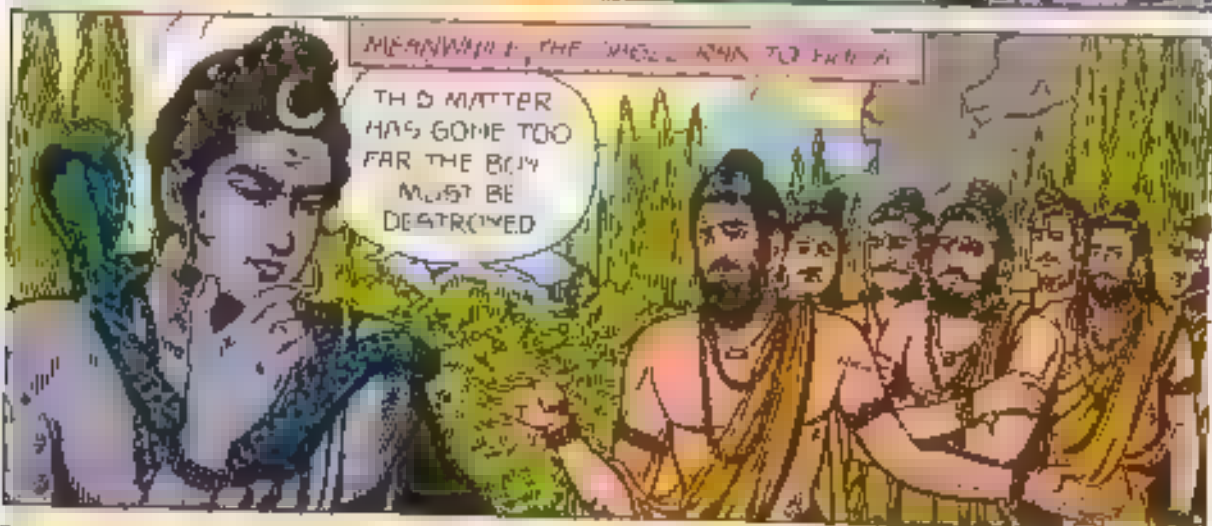






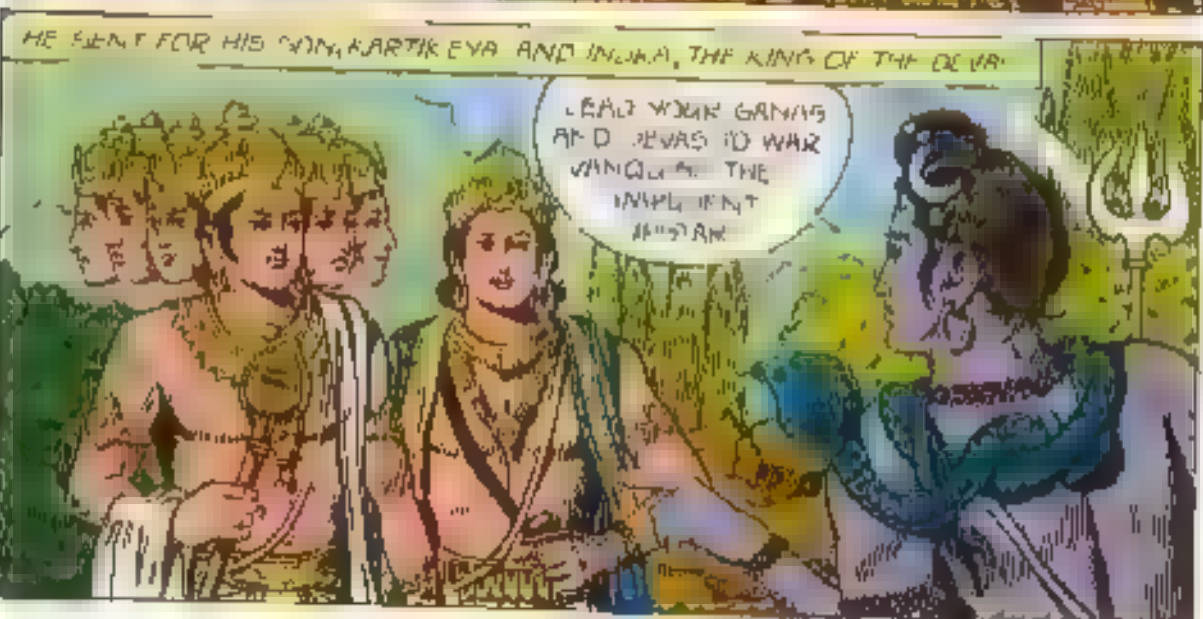


I'LL  
SHALL NEVER  
FAIL MY  
MOTHER



MEANWHILE, THE WOMAN RAN TO HER A

THIS MATTER  
HAS GONE TOO  
FAR THE BOY  
MUST BE  
DESTROYED



HE SENT FOR HIS SON, KARTIKEYA AND INDRA, THE KING OF THE DEVAS

LEAD YOUR GANGS  
AND DEVAS TO WAR  
AGAINST THE  
IMPUDENT  
ASHOKAN



THE DEIRAS, ED BY INIINA AND THE CANAS, BY KAR A FVO,  
 FEL UPIN THE BOY FROM ALL DIRECTIONS

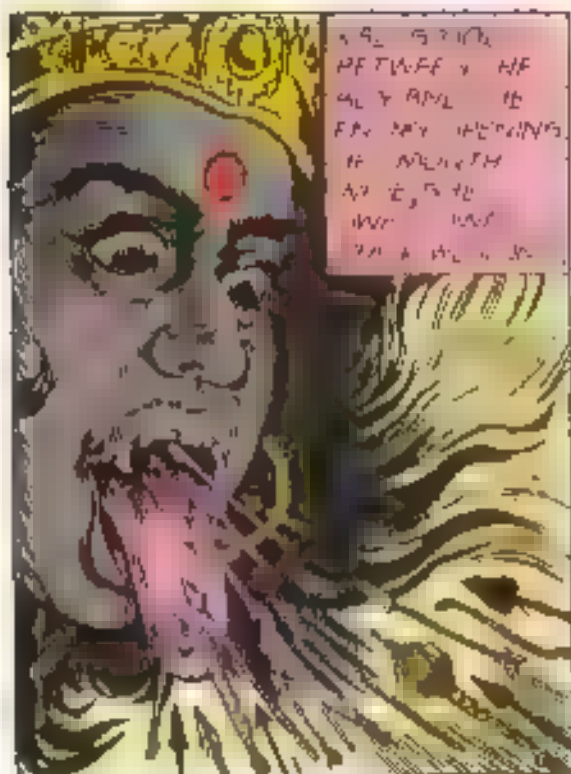
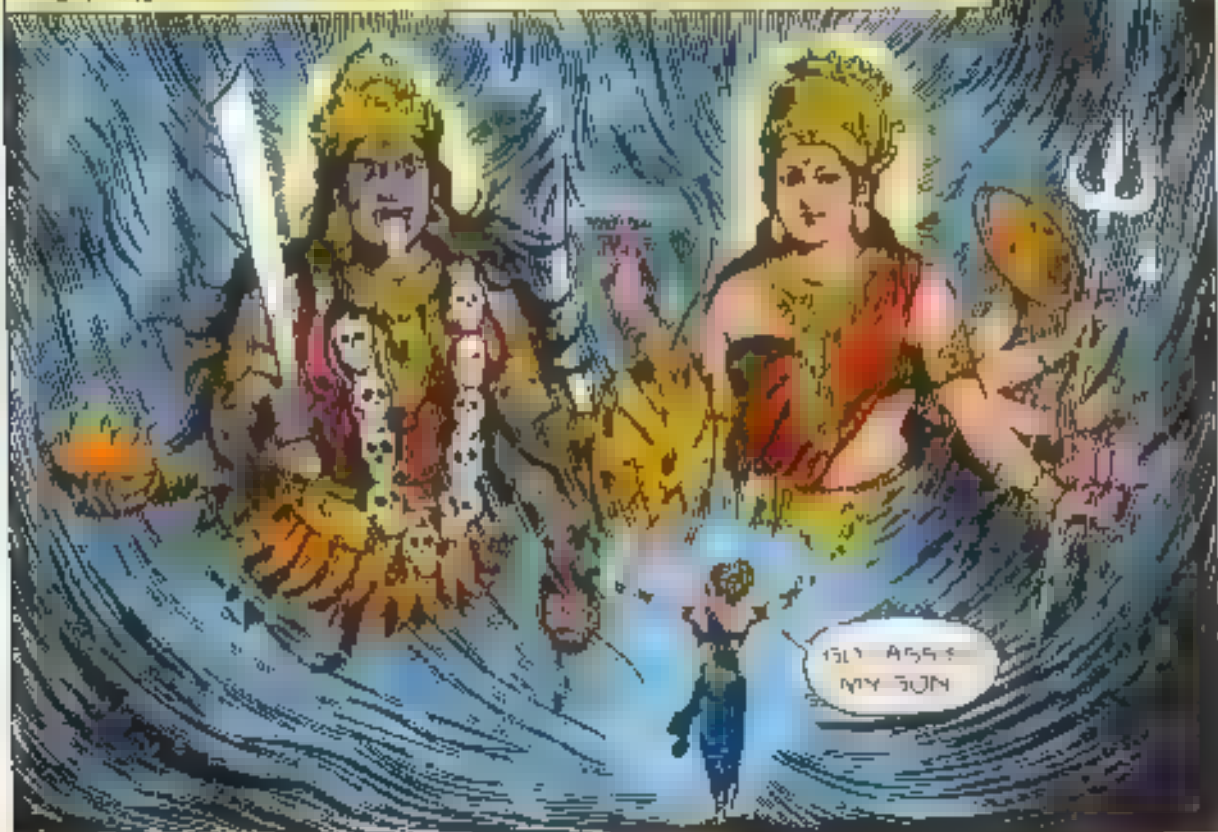


MEANWHILE PHLA LEARNED OF A  
 THAT WH. HAD BEEN D. THE WH. FOR HIS



HOW DARE  
 THEY HARASS  
 MY SON

THEN AND THERE WE CREATED THE TWO SHIPS A KAL AND BLINK



A LITTLE  
BETWEEN A HE  
ALY AND HE  
FOR MY WEDDING  
IN NORTH  
AD E, 5 TO  
WILL NOT  
TO A LITTLE



AND LITTLE TFM RACK





INDRA AND HIS DEVAS WERE MERE EARTH



EVEN KAKI, WHO HAD KILLED THE INVINCIBLE TRISHakti, WAS HELPLESS



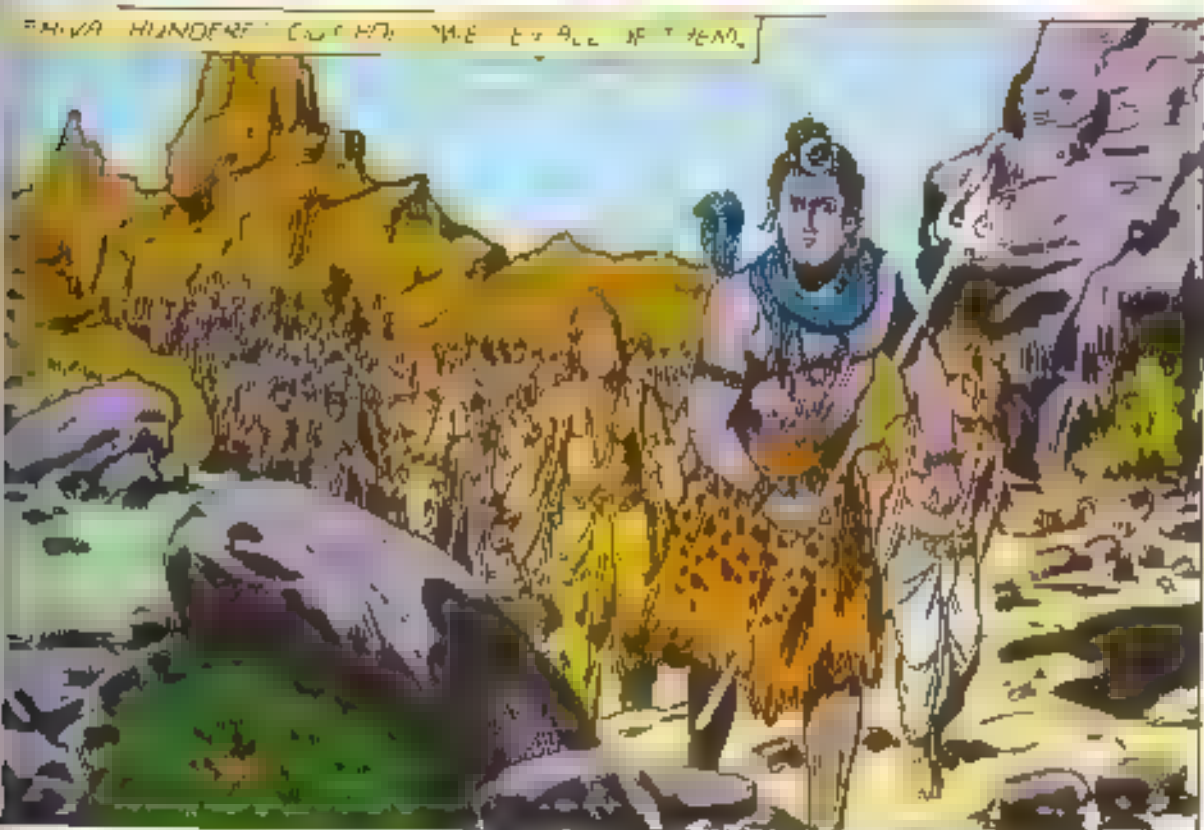
THEY HAD COME

WHAT SHALL WE DO?

IS IT  
SHOULD  
BE VA







UNFETTERED BY THE FRIGHT OF SHIVA, THE BOY ATTACKED ALL THE LING GODS AND BY JUNE THEY FELT



AS SHIVA WATCHED HIM FIGHT, HE WAS AMAZED

HE IS INVINCIBLE  
HE CAN ONLY BE  
KILLED BY CUNNING  
MUST WATCH FOR  
AN OPPORTUNITY



THE SAME THOUGHT HAD STRUCK  
VISHNU TOO HE SPOKE TO SHIVA

SHIVA, USE MY  
POWERS OF  
DECESSION TO  
FIGHT HIM, IF  
YOU PER-  
MIT ME

YOU MAY  
THAT IS THE  
ONLY WAY



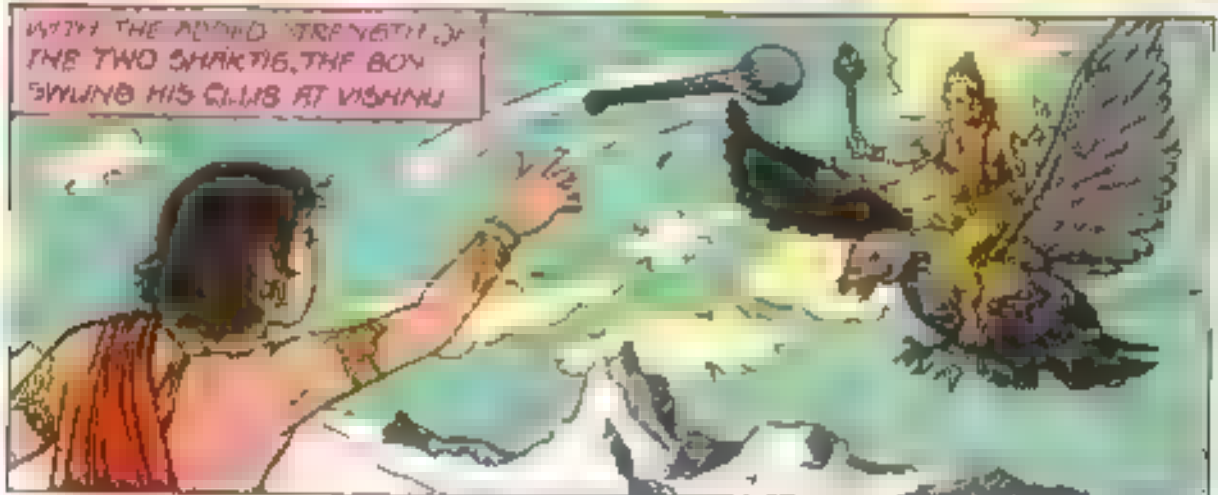




BUT KAL AND DURGA  
DIVINE  
THEIR  
INTEN  
TIONS

WHAT  
SHOULD  
WE DO?

LET US CONFER ALL OUR  
STRENGTH ON THE YOUTH  
WHEN EVEN VISHNU'S  
MAYA WILL PROVE  
INEFFECTUAL



WITH THE ADDED STRENGTH OF  
THE TWO SHAKTIS, THE BOY  
SWUNG HIS CLUB AT VISHNU



VISHNU HAD TO USE ALL  
HIS ENERGY TO DIVINE



EVERY DAY WITH HIS  
MACE WITH HIS TRIDENT





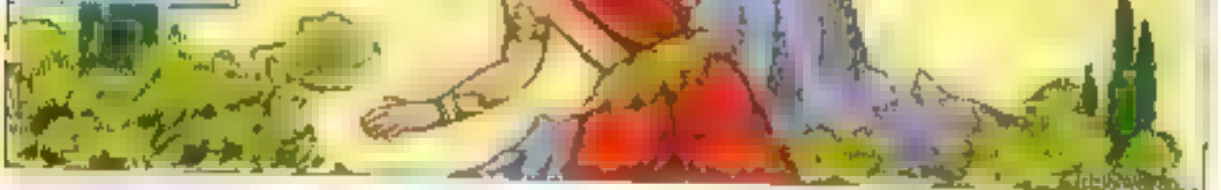
THE BOY FEED HIS FLOCK



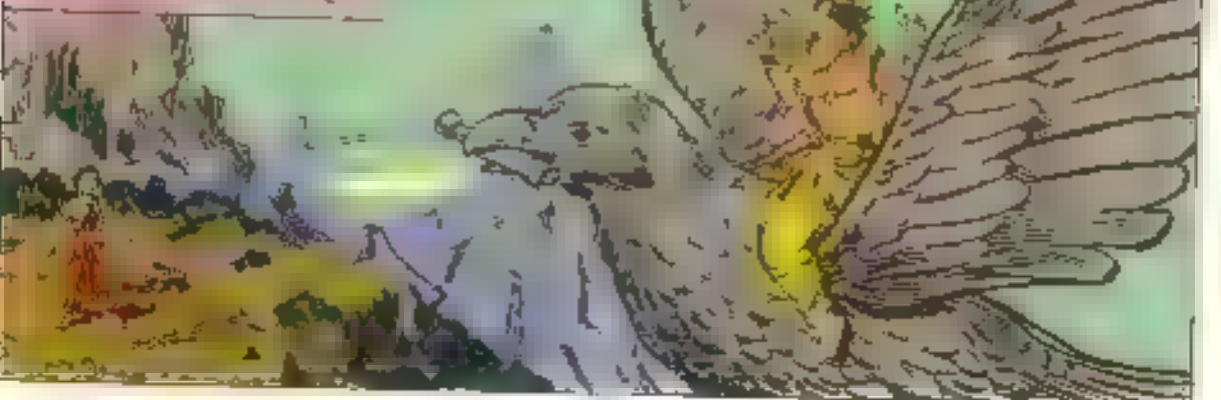
HIS FLOCK WAS THE  
THE RICHMAN'S



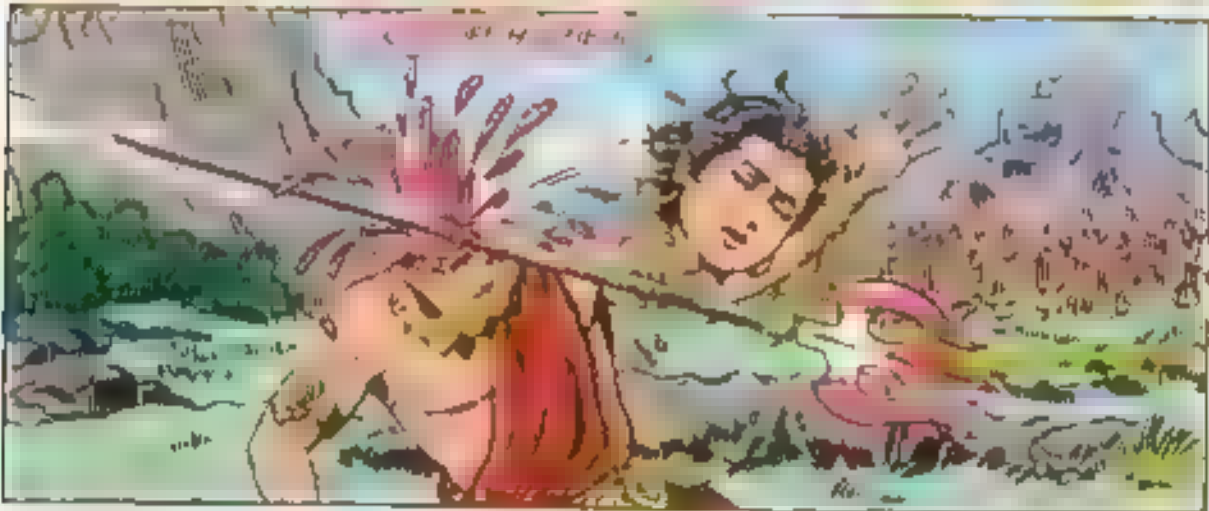
THE BOY FEED HIS  
THE FLOCK THE  
WAS THE  
THE



BUT THE BOY WAS  
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THAN, HE THE H. WENT TO THE  
HIT A SPINNING WHEEL





THEN THE DEVAS AND THE GANAS BECAME JUBILANT



BUT SHIVA WAS ANGRY



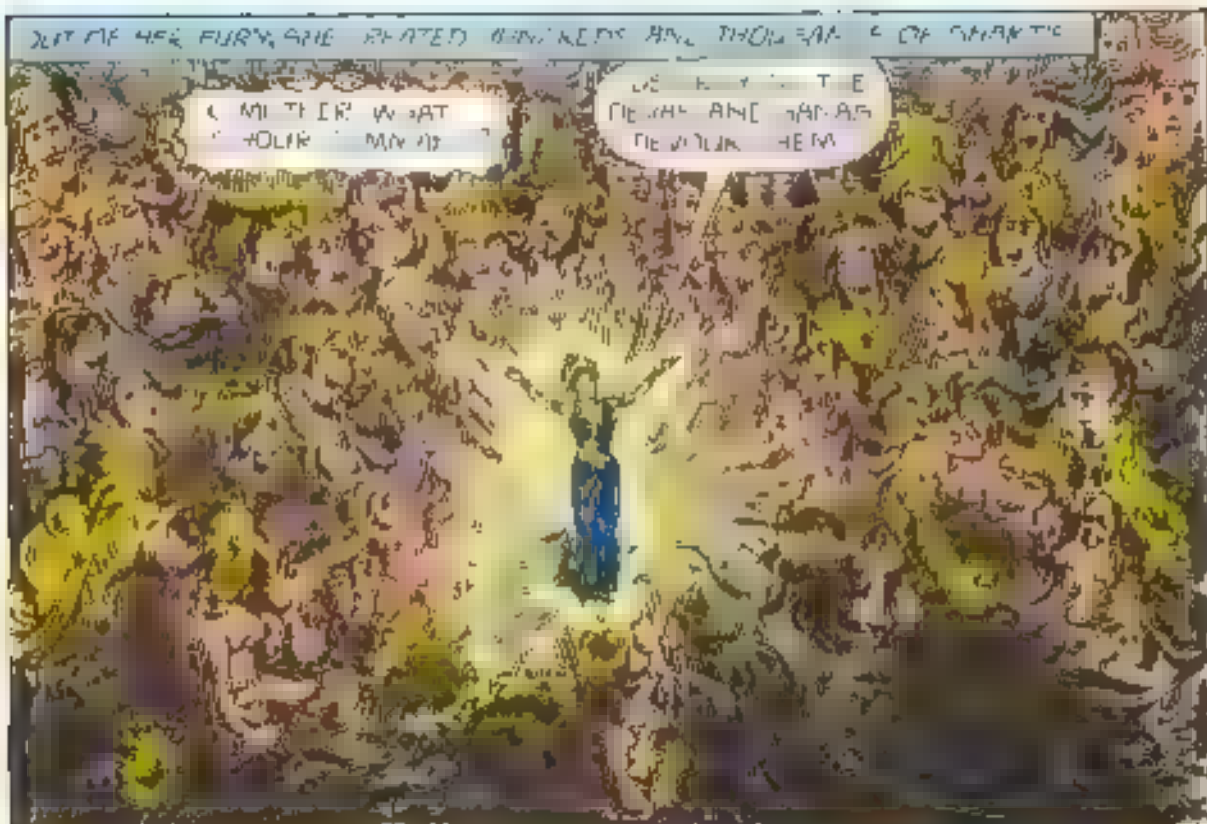
MEANWHILE, WHEN PARVATI LEARNED OF HER SON'S DEATH -



LET OF HER FURY, SHE RELATED HER FEELINGS AND THOUGHTS OF SHANTIC

LET ME TELL YOU WHAT  
YOUR MIND IS

LET ME TELL YOU  
THE WAY AND THE MEANS  
TO YOUR HEART



THE SHANTIC IMMEDIATELY LET ABOUT CARA AND IN  
THEir MINDS ARTHUR AND HIS WIFE WERE TERRIFIED



PARVATI MUST  
BE PLEASED



THEY PROPITIATED PARVATI AND PLEADED FOR MERCY.

O GREAT GODDESS,  
HAVE MERCY ON US.  
WE SHALL ACCOMPLISH  
WHATEVER YOU ASK  
OF US. FORGIVE US.

I WILL, BUT  
MY SON MUST  
REGAIN HIS LIFE AND  
MUST HAVE AN HONOUR-  
ABLE STATUS  
AMONG YOU.

THEY WENT TO SPEND AND PUT  
PARVATI'S CONDITIONS BEFORE HIM.

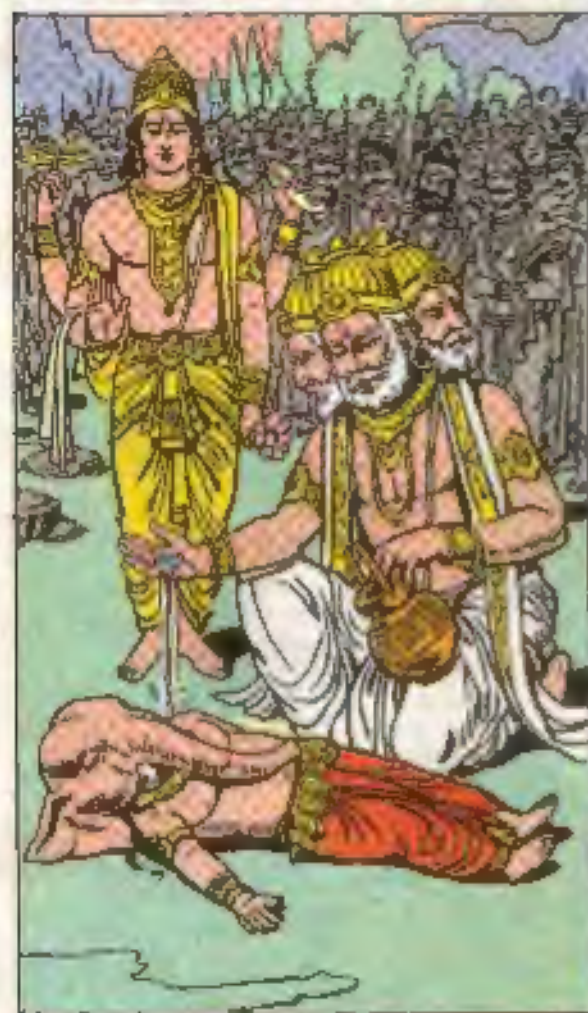
IT SHALL BE DONE,  
FOR THE SAKE OF  
PEACE AND HAPPINESS.

GO NORTH, BRING THE  
HEAD OF THE FIRST CREA-  
TURE THAT CROSSES  
YOUR PATH. FIT THAT  
HEAD TO THE BOY'S  
BODY AND IT WILL  
COME TO LIFE.





IT WAS A SINGLE-TUSKED ELEPHANT THAT MET THEM



THEY BROUGHT THE HEAD BACK AND FITTED IT TO THE BODY OF THE BOY.



THE BOY SAT UP.





AT THAT MOMENT INDRA AND THE OTHER GODS LED SHIVA TO HER.



SHIVA BOWED BEFORE PARVATI.





THEN SHIVA PLACED HIS HAND ON THE BOY'S HEAD.

EVEN AS A MERE BOY YOU SHOWED GREAT VALOUR. YOU SHALL BE GANESHA, THE PRESIDING OFFICER OF ALL MY GANAS. YOU SHALL BE WORTHY OF WORSHIP FOREVER, YOU SHALL ALSO BE CALLED VIGHNESHWARA, THE QUELLER OF OBSTACLES.



SHIVA AND PARVATI ONCE AGAIN BEGAN TO LIVE HAPPILY IN THEIR ABODE AT MOUNT KAILAS, DELIGHTED BY THE PRESENCE OF THEIR TWO SONS. TO THIS DAY, BEFORE ANY VENTURE IS UNDERTAKEN, IT IS GANESHA WHO IS INVOKED AND WHOSE BLESSINGS ARE SOUGHT.